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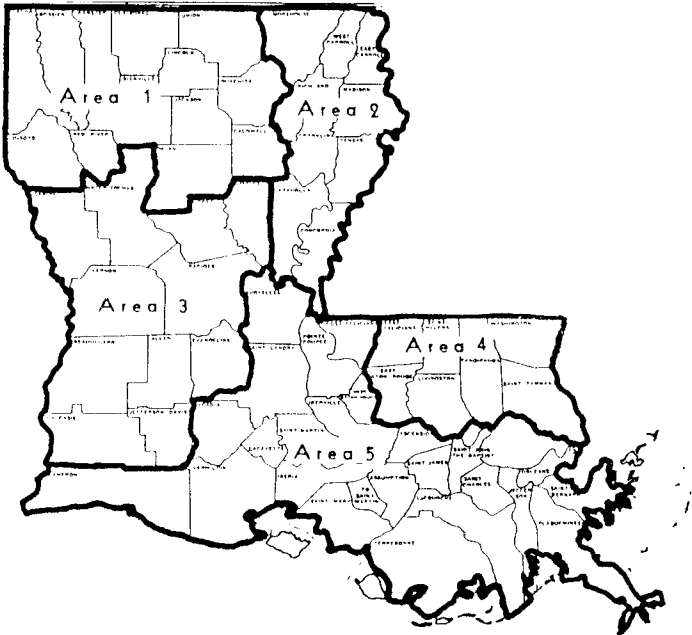
SAWTIMBER VOLUME OFF DURING 1960

A WEAK LUMBER MARKET EXISTED THROUGHOUT MOST OF 1960 RESULTING IN REDUCED PURCHASES OF SAWLOGS ON THE PART OF MANY PLANTS. SAWTIMBER CUTTINGS IN LOUISIANA DURING THE YEAR TOTALLED 788 MILLION BOARD FEET AS COMPARED TO 825 MILLION BOARD FEET IN 1959. THIS DECLINE WAS ACCOUNTED FOR BY FEWER HARDWOOD CUTTINGS.

PULPWOOD HARVEST OF 1.5 MILLION CORDS OF PINE AND HARDWOOD IN 1960 WAS ABOUT EQUAL TO THE PREVIOUS YEAR'S VOLUME. OF THE TOTAL PULPWOOD HARVEST, PINE MADE UP 77 PER CENT OF THE CUT.

MARKET CONDITIONS FIRST QUARTER 1961

SAWLOG PRICES FOR THE JAN.-MAR. 1961 PERIOD SHOWED LITTLE CHANGE FROM THE PREVIOUS QUARTER BUT WERE GENERALLY LOWER THAN PRICES DURING THE SAME PERIOD A YEAR AGO. MANY PLANTS CONTINUED TO REPORT LIGHT PURCHASES FOR THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1961. SLIGHT VARIATIONS IN PULPWOOD AND POLE PRICES WERE NOTED IN SOME AREAS OF THE STATE BUT THE STATE AVERAGE PRICE WAS MOSTLY UNCHANGED. STUMP PRICES AVERAGED SLIGHTLY LOWER THIS QUARTER AS COMPARED WITH THE PREVIOUS QUARTER BUT WERE WELL ABOVE PRICES PAID DURING THE SAME PERIOD IN 1960.



AVERAGE PRICES PAID TO LOUISIANA TIMBER PRODUCERS BY TYPES OF INDUSTRIES, JANUARY-MARCH 1961 WITH COMPARISONS

		AREA					STATE AVERAGE		
		1	2	3	4	5	JAN.-MAR. 1961	PREVIOUS QUARTER	SAME PERIOD YEAR AGO
1. (A)	SAWLOGS (STUMPAGE)	(DOLLARS)	(DOLLARS)	(DOLLARS)	(DOLLARS)	(DOLLARS)	(DOLLARS)	(DOLLARS)	(DOLLARS)
	PINE M.BD.Ft.	28.35	30.00	26.55	31.25	25.00	28.30	29.15	31.35
	CYPRESS "	18.30	18.00	23.75	19.50	18.65	19.75	18.25	22.05
	RED OAK "	9.20	10.00	8.70	12.25	10.65	9.70	9.55	12.35
	WHITE OAK "	8.90	10.00	8.50	13.50	-	9.30	9.25	12.15
	SWEET GUM "	8.65	12.65	8.80	12.20	12.65	10.05	9.55	11.90
	TUPELO GUM "	9.50	-	10.00	13.00	10.00	10.55	9.75	12.85
	BLACK GUM "	8.75	-	9.00	-	-	8.80	9.25	12.05
	WILLOW "	9.25	-	-	11.65	10.00	10.20	10.65	13.85
	ASH "	9.85	-	10.00	15.85	12.50	11.55	10.95	14.30
	COTTON WOOD "	9.70	-	10.00	12.50	-	10.65	10.85	13.60
	OTHER HARDWOODS"	7.80	-	7.00	11.60	-	9.25	9.50	12.20

		AREA					STATE AVERAGE		
		1	2	3	4	5	JAN.-MAR. 1961	PREVIOUS QUARTER	SAME PERIOD YEAR AGO
(B)	SAWLOGS (DELIVERED TO MILL)	(DOLLARS)	(DOLLARS)	(DOLLARS)	(DOLLARS)	(DOLLARS)	(DOLLARS)	(DOLLARS)	(DOLLARS)
	PINE M.B.D.Ft.	49.45	46.65	46.95	51.00	45.00	50.20	50.95	53.70
	CYPRESS "	43.34	45.00	48.25	49.50	49.35	46.70	42.20	50.05
	RED OAK "	31.35	35.75	30.80	39.30	41.65	34.60	34.90	38.20
	WHITE OAK "	31.10	32.00	30.20	37.50	-	32.25	34.35	37.05
	SWEET GUM "	30.20	38.75	30.25	40.00	45.75	36.05	36.00	38.45
	TUPELO GUM "	35.00	41.00	38.00	43.10	45.00	40.80	37.80	40.55
	BLACK GUM "	31.70	41.00	32.65	41.00	-	35.45	34.85	39.05
	WILLOW "	45.00	43.35	35.00	40.85	40.00	41.25	38.85	44.35
	ASH "	37.00	45.00	38.00	42.90	45.00	41.80	38.55	43.95
	COTTON WOOD "	-	45.00	38.00	41.90	45.00	43.05	40.05	43.90
	OTHER HARDWOODS"	31.00	41.00	31.00	35.50	44.00	35.85	35.10	38.10

- TIMBER PRODUCT -

2.	PULPWOOD (CORD)								
	PINE (STUMPG.)	4.50	4.35	4.10	3.85	-	4.25	4.30	4.40
	PINE (FOB CAR)	15.10	15.50	13.90	13.60	15.50	14.55	14.60	14.80
	HARDWOOD(STUMPG.)	1.45	1.25	1.50	1.65	-	1.50	1.50	1.70
	HARDWOOD(FOB CAR)	12.65	12.75	10.90	11.20	12.75	12.00	12.30	11.75

3.	POLES (F.O.B. MILL), EACH								
	30-FT.								
	CLASS 5.	3.40	-	-	4.50	-	3.65	3.60	3.45
	6.	3.05	-	-	4.00	-	3.30	3.15	3.10
	7.	2.60	-	-	3.75	-	2.90	2.60	2.80
	40-FT.								
	CLASS 4.	9.95	-	-	11.00	-	10.20	10.05	9.85
	5.	8.60	-	-	9.00	-	8.70	9.00	8.90
	6.	6.40	-	-	-	-	6.40	6.50	6.50
	50-FT.								
	CLASS 1.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21.65
	2.	18.50	-	-	-	-	18.50	18.45	18.85
	3.	16.35	-	-	18.00	-	16.75	15.35	16.65
	4.	14.35	-	-	-	-	14.35	13.45	14.15
	60-FT.								
	CLASS 1.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37.25
	2.	33.35	-	-	-	-	33.35	32.55	33.50
	3.	30.00	-	-	26.00	-	29.00	29.80	30.40
	4.	24.00	-	-	-	-	24.00	24.05	25.40
	70-FT.								
	CLASS 1.	-	-	-	-	-	-	53.00	54.70
	2.	53.50	-	-	-	-	53.50	52.00	52.45
	3.	49.50	-	-	43.00	-	47.35	46.65	48.50
	4.	-	-	-	-	-	-	38.50	41.20

4.	STUMPS (FOR DISTILLATION):								
	(DELIVERED TO PLANT - TON) -	-	-	1/	1/	-	14.77	14.94	12.98

1/ NOT SHOWN TO AVOID DISCLOSING INDIVIDUAL OPERATIONS.
- INSUFFICIENT NUMBER OF REPORTS TO QUOTE.
ALL FIGURES ROUNDED TO NEAREST FIVE CENTS, EXCEPT STUMPS ROUNDED TO NEAREST CENT.

NOTE: THE DOYLE LOG SCALE IS BASIS FOR BOARD FEET MEASUREMENT IN THIS REPORT.

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